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Minister, Clerk, DM,

Winnipeg – WPS advised that they secured agreement by the protestors to move all of the vehicles off Broadway. Much like Emerson, this will take some time. I understand that one of the tractor owners had gone home and needs to be located to return in order to move the vehicle. WPS hopes to have this accomplished by end of day. Given this movement, WPS will continue to negotiate over the weekend for the complete withdrawal of the protest. The protestors wish to have a church service on Sunday. WPS now expects to escalate enforcement options after the long weekend if negotiations do not secure the departure of the protestors. This will also allow them to assess any reaction to the enforcement actions taking place presently in Ottawa.

Premier's Residence – SIB and WPS are tracking a planned "vigil" at the Premier's home on Saturday. This protest is being organized by the same group that organized the counter protest last weekend. No clear indication at this point whether there is significant support for attendance. Protective Services, WPS and the RCMP are all informed and will be closely monitoring.

Other Protests – There are no significant protests that the police are tracking. There is a "slow roll" planned for the perimeter hwy, but police feel it will be very manageable.

Ottawa – Currently we have 5 Federal RCMP officers transiting to assist in Ottawa. This is no cost to the Province. The RCMP may release one PPSA member who has specialized skills to assist with efforts in Ottawa if required. No other provincial RCMP will be involved in the resolution of the situation in Ottawa.

Unless something changes, I will not produce any routine updates until Tuesday morning. Have a great long weekend.

Mike